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SUBJECT: **PROGRESS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ELIMINATION OF THE USE OF OLEORESIN CAPSICUM (OC) SPRAY (TENTH MONTHLY REPORT)**

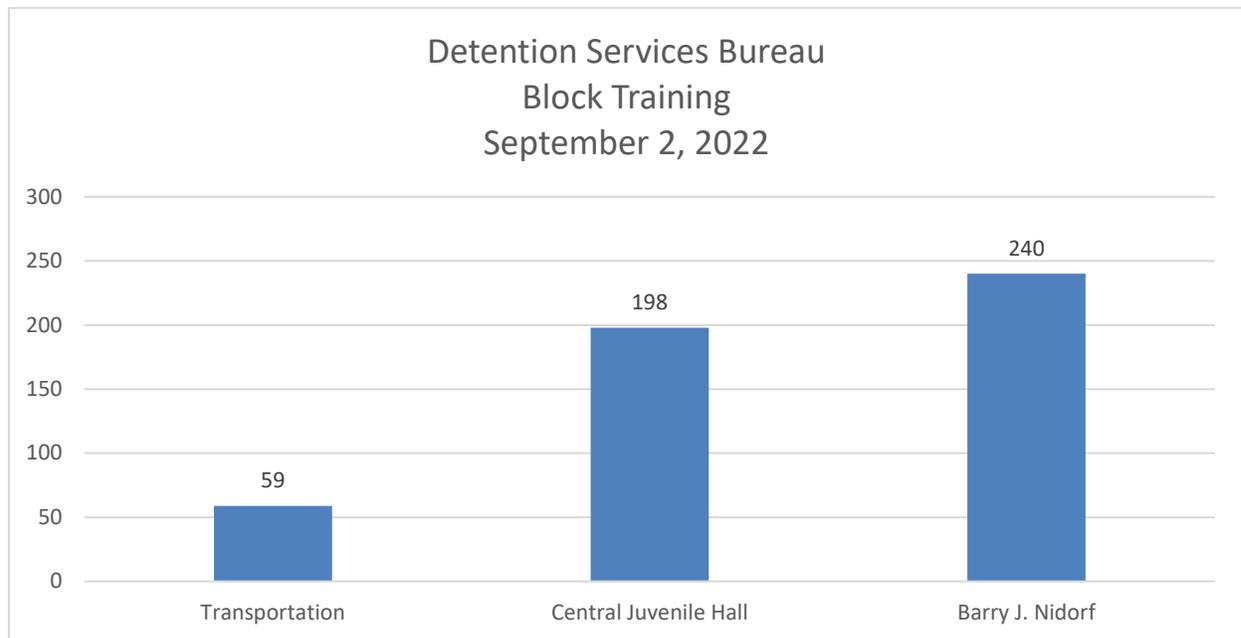
On July 8, 2021, the Los Angeles County Probation Oversight Commission (POC) requested that the Probation Department provide a written report to the POC every 30 days to report on the progress on implementation of the elimination of the use of Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray, including a timeline with dates for key interim benchmarks and steps toward elimination, including the specific target date when the use of OC spray will be eliminated.

## **TRAINING PLAN**

The Probation Department continues to conduct block week in-person trainings for the employees of the Detention Services Bureau (DSB) at the Pico Rivera Training Center. There have been a total of 30 cohort trainings conducted since September 21, 2021.

Cohort 30 ended on September 2, 2022, to date a total of 497 employees have attended the block week trainings. On September 5, 2022, cohort 31 started with 22 employees enrolled.

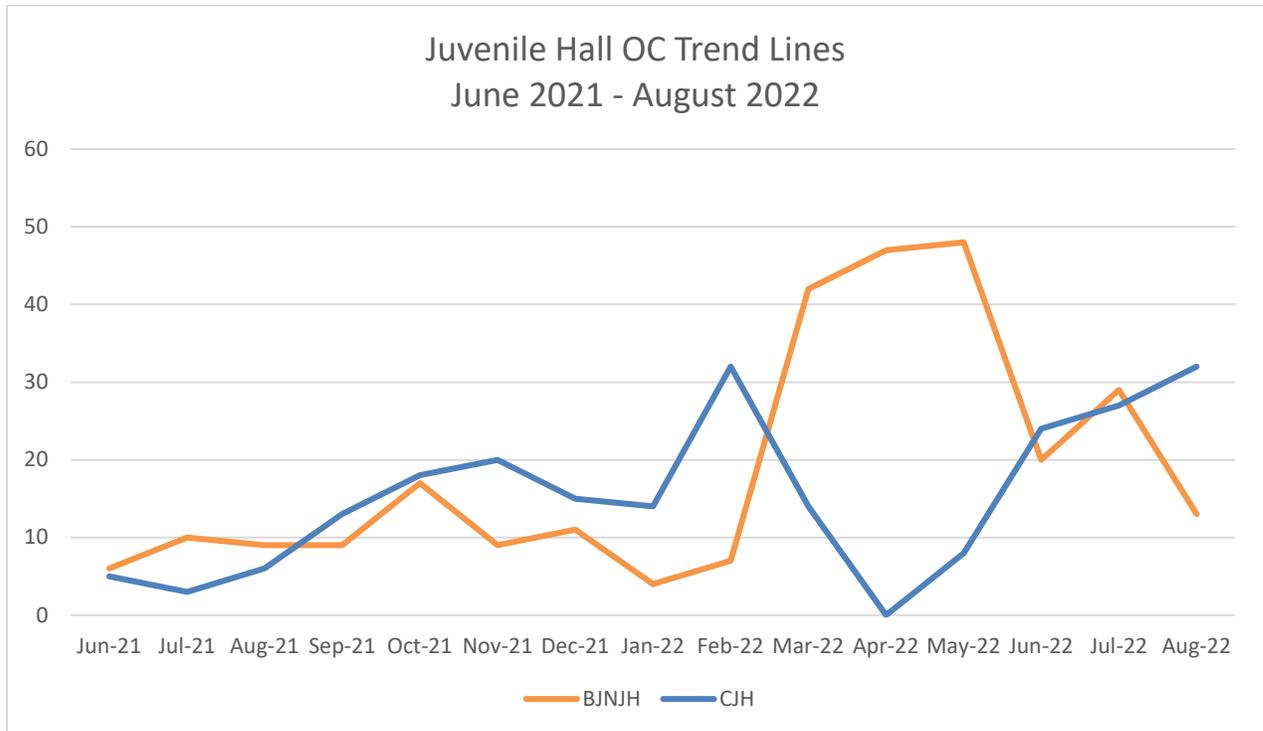
The chart below illustrates the total number of DSB staff that reported to block week training by facility through September 2, 2022.



The chart below illustrates the DSB OC Spray Incident totals by month since June of 2021 through August of 2022.

2021 - 2022 DSB OC INCIDENT TOTALS JUNE 2021 - AUGUST 2022			
MONTH	BJNJH	CJH	DSB TOTAL
Jun-21	6	5	11
Jul-21	10	3	13
Aug-21	9	6	15
Sep-21	9	13	22
Oct-21	17	18	35
Nov-21	9	20	29
Dec-21	11	15	26
Jan-22	4	14	18
Feb-22	7	32	39
Mar-22	42	14	56
Apr-22	47	0	47
May-22	48	8	56
Jun-22	20	24	44
Jul-22	29	27	56
Aug-22	13	32	45
TOTAL	281	231	512

The chart below illustrates the OC spray trend lines for both Central Juvenile Hall and Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall since June 2021.



The chart below illustrates the DSB combined total OC Spray trends for both juvenile halls since June 2021.



## **CONCLUSION**

The Department continues to remain committed to partnering with our stakeholders to promote a safe culture that supports employees and youth in a secure, stable, and healthy environment. In addition, the Department will continue to provide updates that highlight the overall progress of the training cohorts and the elimination of OC spray. All cohort training is conducted with continued support for COVID-19 safety and precautions.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (562) 940-3760.

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